HON'BLE SHRI G.S.SINGHVI, THE CHIEF JUSTICE
AND
HON'BLE SHRI JUSTICE C.V.NAGARJUNA REDDY

WRIT PETITION No. 16923 of 2007

Between:

M/s. Free India Concepts
(a Division of Free India Assurance Services
Limited), having its office at Mumbai and having
its Admn. Office at Hyderabad, rep., by its
Manager (Operations), B. Uday Shanker,
S/o. Late B. Satyanarayana, aged 47 yrs,
R/o. 102, Shiv Kailash, Yellareddyguda,
Hyderabad.

... Petitioner

AND

Union of India, rep., by its Secretary,
Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food & Public
Distribution, Department of Consumer Affairs
(IT Desh), Sastri Bhavan, New Delhi
and six others.

... Respondents

: ORDER :

Counsel for the petitioner : Shri P. Venugopal

Counsel for the respondent Nos.2 to 7 : Advocate General

Dated: 7th June, 2007

Per G.S. SINGHVI, CJ.

In this petition, the petitioner has prayed for quashing First Information Report No.42 dated 18.04.2003 registered at Police Station, Bonakal, Khammam District and for issue of a mandamus to respondent Nos.2 to 7 to act in accordance with letter No.21/22/IT/2001 dated 31.03.2003 issued by the Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution, Department of Consumer Affairs, Government of India.

Learned Advocate General, on the basis of instructions given to him made a statement that offences attributable to the petitioner with reference to Sections 3, 4, 5 and 6 of the Prize, Chits and Money Circulation Scheme (Banning) Act, 1978 were deleted from First Information Report and the case under Section 420 of the Indian Penal Code was compounded between the complainant and the petitioner.

In view of the statement made by the learned Advocate General, nothing survives in the writ petition, which is disposed of as infructuous.

G.S. SINGHVI, CJ.

C.V. NAGARJUNA REDDY, J.

Date: 07.06.2007
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